Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Welcome to this edition – Another week has passed us by as our school moves into the final few weeks of term. The students have been pushing themselves to the limit to finish assessment and keep up with ever increasing expectation on learning. With smart minds and strong hearts they have shown great results and have made all of the staff proud with a real focus on coming to school and being achievers. Keep up the great work kids!

BEHAVIOUR EXPECTATIONS
There has been a few disappointing moments with student behaviour over the last week with students not following school expectations and choosing to break our very clear school rules with being physical and provoking others. Students can clearly articulate our school rules and the consequence if they make poor behaviour choices. The safety, security and opportunity for student learning can only be achieved when students are clear on boundaries and follow the rules.

READING HELP
What if my child refuses to read? What should you do if your child doesn’t want to read their book? You may hear comments such as:
• Do I have to?
• I’m too tired.
• The teacher didn’t say I had to. (We expect every child to read for 10-15 mins every day)
• I forgot to bring it home. (Check your child’s school bag.)
• But I’m playing with …
• Can’t I just finish …?
That book’s boring/dumb/stupid …

It’s at this point that you may like to use one of the following strategies from leading Australian educationalist, Anne Bayeto – because some reading practice is better than no reading practice.
• Use a timer (kitchen, sport) so your child understands that the reading practice will be for a short period.
• Read the book aloud to your child.
• Read the book aloud to your child but have your child read words that you know he or she can already read.
• Have your child point to the words while you read the words aloud?
• Read the book aloud together.
• Read half the book each.
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- Put a sticky note a few pages ahead and tell your child they just need to read to the sticky note.
- Read left page/right page (and yes, your child can have the pages with fewer words).
- Say, ‘I’ll read it to you and then you can read it to me.’

When reading a story (fiction) book try changing the names of characters to your family’s names!

- Suggest that your child reads the book into a voice recorder or into a microphone (even if the microphone doesn’t work).
- Ask your child to read to a stuffed toy, for example, a favourite teddy bear. (The author has seen this work very successfully with a number of children.) Your child could also read to a willing sibling or placid pet.
- Have your child use a puppet to do the reading.
- Give your child a special pointer, for example a magic wand or laser pointer.
- Give your child a reading cape or reading hat to wear.
- Let your child play his or her favourite music while reading.
- Link reading the book with after-school or after-meal snacks.

After reading the book, it is essential that both of you talk about the author’s message. This is for you to confirm that your child understands that reading is for enjoyment and learning and isn’t just about correctly naming the words (although this is certainly important).

ATTENDANCE

Every day counts is a state wide initiative that aims to assist in improving student attendance at school through a shared commitment by students, parents, caregivers, schools and the community to improve students’ attendance at school. The key messages for our school are all children should be enrolled at school, attend on every school day and arrive at school on time. All absences must be explained by direct communication with the school. We consistently monitor and track attendance.

When a child is not at school, and the school has not been provided with a reason for the absence, it is recorded as “unexplained” on the digital marking system. Until parents provide a reason for the absence, it remains “unexplained” which then appears on your child’s end of semester report card. So please let the school know when your child/ren will be absent and why.

ROAD SAFETY

Look left, look right, look left again and listen.

Please ensure that you spend time with your child teaching them to look left, look right, look left again and listen before crossing the road. Teach them that the safest place to cross a road is a crossing. If there is not a crossing available moving 10-15 metres away from an intersection is safest.

TOUCH CARNIVAL

Congratulations to Jack B, Jack W and Michael on their fine effort competing in the Barambah Touch carnival over the weekend.

NAPLAN

Student reports and school achievement data from NAPLAN 2015 have been released in the past few days. Cloyna State School students achieved Outstanding Results.

Parents can have every confidence that the curriculum programs, routines and procedures at Cloyna State School are working to ensure every student is succeeding every day.

See next page for results ..................

Found: There was a sum of money found in the grounds of the school earlier this term. If you have lost some money please talk to Heather or Jenny.
WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN
This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school—and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths. From Wednesday 15 July to Tuesday 8 September, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and when it’s complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school. At the end of the promotion, we’ll be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students— including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library. If you’d like to know more visit https://www2.woolworthsonline.com.au/Shop/Discover/earn-and-learn
Students can collect forms for the stickers from Mrs Cocks and the Collection box will be situated in the waiting area of the Administration Office. People can also just drop in the stickers if this is more convenient.

HAVE YOUR CONTACT DETAILS CHANGED RECENTLY?
Don’t forget to call into the office to collect a Change of Details Advice Form. Completing this form when any of your details change - ie. Change of Address, Contact Telephone Numbers, Emergency Contacts or change in family circumstances, enables us here at Cloyna to be able to contact you in any situation, quickly and accurately.

Thank you

Have a great week

Heather Castle
Principal
Homework Rewards
Friday September 11

Arrive at 6.00pm (Make sure you have had your bath/shower and are dressed in your sleep clothes (PJ’s or tracksuit)
Dinner supplied—Hot dogs, popper, ice cream cones
Movie
Bed at 9.00pm
Breakfast—pancakes, popper
Pick up at 8.00 Saturday morning

What to bring:-
Tooth brush & Tooth-paste
Bedding—sleeping bag, pillow

I give permission for ................................................................. to take part in the Sleepover at school on Friday September 11.

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Parent/Caregiver signature Date

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Footy Colours Day
Friday September 4

The Project Club has agreed to support the Cancer Foundation by being part of the Footy Colours Day. Students are asked to come to school, dressed in their favourite Footy Club Colours. Please bring a donation which will be sent to the Cancer Foundation to help raise vital funds for young Aussies living with cancer.

Dance Night
Tuesday September 15

Mark Smith (PE teacher) and Mike Reynolds (Music Teacher) are organising a Dance Party for the students of Cloyna & Winda School on Tuesday evening September 15 at Cloyna Hall. We will advise you of all the details shortly.

End of Term Activity Day
Special Lunch—Special Activities
Friday September 18

On the last day of Term 3, Friday September 18, there will not be any tuckshop. Instead the school will be providing Steakettes, bread & sauce for lunch (No cost to the families). The teachers will also be organising some special activities for that day.

Homework Rewards—Sleepover
Friday September 11

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Award Winners

For Week 6
Michael, Jorja, Jack B, Barry, Ryan, Heath, Riley, Madison, Hayden, Taila, Zac, Blade, Lochlan, Will, Katie, Elijah

For Week 7
Taila, Bella, Billey, Jack W, Zac, Blade, Heath, Will Madison, Jayde, Katie

Congratulations students

Poems by Senior Class

Mandarin
As I peel my Mandarin
The skin was very thin
The flesh was orange and very wet
The white string looked like a net
In my mouth the flavour burst
The sweet juice satisfied my thirst.
By Jack Webber.

Mandarin
As I peel my mandarin
I throw the skin in the bin
When the skin is in the bin
I pull the threads so clear and thin.
My mouth was watering with delight
At the orange juicy sight
The flavour was all over my lips
But I had to spit the pips.
I ate three or four
Then I wondered if I should have more
I was shocked at the sight I saw
I had eaten them all there was no more
But I knew my stomach would be sore.
By Jack Blanch

Mandarin
As I peel my Mandarin
The skin was very thin
The flesh was orange and very wet
The white string looked like a net
In my mouth the flavour burst
The sweet juice satisfied my thirst.
By Jorja Webber.
Frozen Yoghurt is no longer available.  
We will be looking at an alternative yoghurt for next Term.